

# Michael Jackson's Thriller 40th Edition To Include Bonus & Rare Tracks



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Michael Jackson's 40th-anniversary edition of *Thriller* is a double CD consisting of the original recording and 10 more rare songs and demos. Today would have been Jackson's 64th birthday and Sony Records and Jackson's estate shared the news of the CD and its pre-order availability. The additional tracks will be revealed one at a time after Labor Day until the November 18th release date. Fifteen more limited-release songs will be available as part of a longer digital version. The 40th edition celebrates the apex of Jackson's recording career and *Thriller's* never-ending influence on the world of pop culture. The album went to number one in every country and was the first to spend 80 weeks on the Top 10. *Thriller* was

also the first to be certified 20x platinum in 1984 and since then it has sold more than 100 million copies. Jackson, with the help of producer Quincy Jones, combined pop, rock and soul together into a unique sound that endless listeners were able to connect with and enjoy. The “Thriller” video set the industry standard for music visuals and Jackson was ahead of his time in seeing the platform as a mini-movie. The video for “Billie Jean” was the first video from a Black artist to receive rotation on MTV. Jackson took home an unprecedented eight Grammys for the album.

The Michael Jackson Thriller 40 release will be accompanied by pop-up events and worldwide celebrations. The double CD set can be [pre-ordered](#) from brick-and-mortar stores as well as online retailers.

